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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-27. (Canceled)

28. (Currently Amended) A device for cutting at least one pledget from a sheet of hemostatic material having an edge surface, the cutting device comprising:

a base defining a first opening having at least two flat side portions, the first opening being sized to form the pledget;

a guide stop provided by a linear guide edge projecting from the base and adapted to engage the hemostatic material edge surface, the <u>linear</u> guide <u>edge</u> stop being aligned along a guide plane that intersects the at least two flat side portions;

a flap articulated with respect to the base and including a first cutting edge sized to correspond to the first opening.

- 29. (Withdrawn) The device of claim 28, in which the base includes a second opening having at least two flat side portions, in which the guide plane further intersects the two flat side portions of the second opening, and in which the flap includes a second cutting edge sized to correspond with the second opening.
- 30. (Withdrawn) The device of claim 28, further comprising a ridge extending from the flap and toward the opening.
- 31. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 28, in which the hemostatic material comprises a hemostatic foam, and the base and flap are formed of a material suitable for cutting the hemostatic material foam.
- 32. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 28, in which the base and flap are formed of a molded plastic material.

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- 33. (Canceled).
- 34. (Previously Presented) A medical kit comprising:
- a sheet of hemostatic material having an edge surface;
- a hemostatic material delivery device; and
- a device for cutting at least one pledget from the sheet of hemostatic foam material, wherein the pledget is shaped for insertion into the hemostatic material delivery device, the cutting device including:
- a base defining a first opening having at least two flat side portions, the first opening being sized to form the pledget;
- a guide stop associated with the base and adapted to engage the hemostatic material edge surface, the guide stop being aligned along a guide plane that intersects the at least two flat side portions; and
- a flap articulated with respect to the base and including a first cutting edge sized to correspond to the first opening.
- 35. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 34, in which the base includes a second opening having at least two flat side portions, in which the guide plane further intersects the two flat side portions of the second opening, and in which the flap includes a second cutting edge sized to correspond with the second opening, thereby to cut a second pledget from the sheet of hemostatic material.
- 36. (Withdrawn) The kit of claim 34, further comprising a ridge extending from the flap and toward the opening.
- 37. (Currently Amended) The kit of claim 34, in which <u>the hemostatic material</u> comprises a hemostatic foam, and the base and flap are formed of a material suitable for cutting the hemostatic <u>material foam</u>.

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38. (Previously Presented) The kit of claim 34, in which the base and flap are formed of a molded plastic material.

39. (Previously Presented) The kit of claim 34, in which the guide stop comprises a guide edge projecting from the base.